# **Timothy Topics**

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**Sunday Worship Service 10am** 

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## Minister's Corner

Our All Sufficient Saviour: "Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." Hebrews 4:16. One of the most heart touching stories in the New Testament is about a woman, sick for 12 years, but who knew Jesus was able to cure her diseases. In fact, she had said to herself, "if only I could get near enough to touch Him, I would be made whole." One day, while Jesus was walking through her town, she was able to get near enough to Him to reach out and touch the hem of His garment, and she was healed. Such great faith this woman had in God and in Jesus, that she reached out in trust and was healed. Jesus could feel the urgent cry for help, the strong touch of faith, and he turned and said, "Woman, your faith has made you well." That's a beautiful story, but we may well ask, "Where is the border of Christ's garment today? Is there a hem for us to touch? Has Christ gone to be with the Father, and we are left helpless and hopeless?"

No, our living Lord still is available to us today. Up to the very heart of God, to the throne of grace, go the sorrows, the tears, the hurts of our lives, and the joys and thanksgivings. We come with our ailing bodies, our anxious minds, our fearful souls, and in faith touch the hem of His garment. Down through the years Jesus has been doing in His risen life, the same wonders of grace and power that He did when He walked in Judea and Galilee during His life here on earth.

The Apostle Paul reminds us, "let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace that we may obtain mercy, and find grace in time of need." We are invited to the place of grace, to the very throne of God, where a risen and glorified and loving Saviour reigns. And we will hear the words "My grace is sufficient for you." Rev. Floyd

## School Kits for Kids

A St Tim's Lenten mission project, **School Kits for Kids** aims to provide school supplies to **100 children** in Kananga City and district in the Democratic Republic of Congo. This area is rebuilding following a recent war and due to economic difficulties, 70% of the children cannot afford to go to school. **For \$20**, **you can give a child a school kit**, (writing books, pens, pencils, school bag, etc.) which goes a long way to making school more affordable. We would be working with Diku-Dilenga (www.diku-dilenga.org), a non-governmental organisation, founded and directed by our very own Rev. Albert Twambe, and the Tshitoko Presbytery in Kananga City (Rev. Tambwe's home church in D.R. of Congo). The fundraising for this effort will run during Lent, **beginning February 18 and ending March 25**. Please make cheques payable to St Timothy's and indicate on the envelope or cheque "School Kits for Kids. The total fundraising goal is therefore \$2000.

## **Annual Congregational Meeting**

The **Annual Congregational Meeting** is a good time to reflect on the works of St Timothy's, both past and future. It is an opportunity for you to be heard and to voice concerns or approvals on the direction of the church. This in turn provides an opportunity for the leaders of the church, the Elders and Committee Chairs, to address your questions or receive validation of their decisions. More importantly, it is a time for St Timothy's to collectively demonstrate our Faith in God's work within us, His Church. The meeting begins **following the worship service on March 11**; a light lunch will be provided for those attending the meeting. A free will offering is requested to offset costs.

## **Worship Services**

World Day of Prayer Mar 2, 7pm
Sunday Worship Service &
CommunionMar 4, 10am
Sunday Worship Service &
African ChorusMar 11, 10am
Sunday Worship Service Mar 18, 10am
Palm Sunday Worship Service Mar 25, 10am
Maundy Thursday Worship
Service & Communion Mar 29, 7pm
Good Friday Worship Service Mar 30, 10am
EASTER Worship Service
& CommunionApr 1, 10am

## Up-coming Events Prayer ......Sundays, 8:30am

Communion Sunday Sch	nool .Mar 4, 10:15am
Annual Congregational	
Meeting	Mar 11, 11an
Sunday School Service.	Mar 18, 10an
Presbytery Meeting	Mar 20, 7pm
Easter Gardens	Mar 25, 10:15am
Birthday Celebrations	Mar 25, 11an

## **Church Groups**

African Chorus	Mar 4, 11am
Bible Study Mar	7, 14, 21, 28, 10am
Craft Group Ma	r 5, 12, 19, 26, 2pm
JOY Group	Mar 20, 10am
Not So Young Adult Gr	oupMar 11, 11am
Senior Youth Group	Mar 25, 8:30am
St Tim's Choir Mar 4,	11, 18, 25, 8:45am